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LOCAL HERITAGE FUND

PURPOSE

The Local Heritage Fund seeks to provide fair and consistent administration of the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's Local Heritage Fund. The aim of the fund is to assist owners with the conservation and continued use of Heritage Places in line with current best practice and is based on the principles of the Burra Charter.

DEFINITIONS

Refer to Local Heritage Fund Guidelines

STATEMENT

1. Eligibility

For a Heritage Place or place in a Heritage Precinct to be eligible for funding, the application must meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Provides an opportunity for the adaptive reuse of a building;
- Improve opportunities for public appreciation, access or understanding of the place;
- Urgent remedial work or stabilisation of endangered fabric;
- Reinstate lost features that are important to the historic character of the City;
- Complement stated conservation objectives of the City; or
- Encourage the conservation of other heritage places.

The above criteria will be used to determine which applications are recommended for funding on a competitive basis.

2. Assessment and Administration

Grant applications are open in the first week of July, and close in the last week of August of any given Financial Year.

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Conservation Management Strategies (CMS)

- Funding for a CMS is granted for \$2,000 for places of Considerable and Some significance:
- The CMS must be prepared by a suitably qualified and experienced heritage practitioner on the State Heritage Office's recommended supplier's list. Quotes must be presented to the City prior to preparation of the CMS; and
- The owner must directly engage the nominated heritage practitioner. The City's contribution will be paid to the owner on the City's receipt of the CMS.

Conservation Works

- Funding is for conservation works only. These works must be in accordance with current best practice and the principles of the Burra Charter;
- Applications are to be lodged prior to work commencing;
- No in-kind work will be included as part of the owner's contribution;
- Two written quotes are required to be submitted as part of the application for funding;
- Funding for works is granted up to the maximum level of funding available, not exceeding 50% of the total project cost excluding GST;
- Work must be consistent with the recommendations of the CMS;
- Where a CMS has not been prepared, funding for urgent works or funding under \$5,000 will be considered. No further funding will be approved until a CMS has been prepared;
- For places in a Heritage Precinct, funding is only available for works that, in the opinion of the City, contribute to the heritage value of the Precinct;
- Funds may be granted where alternative sources of funding are not available;

3. Maximum Level of Funding Available

	CMS	Works
Exceptional Significance	N/A	\$10,000
Considerable Significance	\$2,000	\$5,000
Some Significance	\$2,000	\$2,500
Heritage Precinct	N/A	\$1,500

The above table outlines the maximum level of funding contribution available for each Heritage Place in each financial year. Funding may be granted for both a CMS and works in the same financial year.

For places of Exceptional Significance, funding greater than outlined above may be considered subject to the availability of funding and the exceptional nature of the works. The works must be consistent with the recommendations of a CMS.

The following conditions may also apply:

- A. Successful applicants are required to complete and sign a 'Recipient's Agreement' which outlines the terms of funding.
- B. Funding will be paid upon the completion of the work to the satisfaction of the City, and presentation of invoices.
- C. Approval of Funding does not remove the need for other statutory approvals. No work shall commence until all necessary approvals are in place.
- D. All statutory application fees to the City are waived for projects funded by the Local Heritage Fund.
- E. In certain circumstances, the City may require the applicant to enter into a 'Heritage Agreement', to be prepared at the applicant's expense.

4. Acquittal

Upon completion of works, the applicant must submit a claim form and relevant invoiced to the City. LHF claim forms will be accepted by the City up until the last week of May in the same Financial Year funding was granted. Late claim forms will not be accepted.

If finds are not acquitted in the same Financial Year, the applicant will be ineligible for any future funding from this funding scheme.

RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

This policy must be read in conjunction with the Local Heritage Fund Guidelines.